

ADJUTANT AND INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Richmond, January 28, 1863.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 12. }

I. Candidates for appointments of artillery officers for ordnance duty, who have passed their examinations at the head quarters of any army, army corps, or department, may be placed on ordnance duty as acting ordnance officers. The number so placed on duty shall not exceed one-half of the whole number passed there, and shall be taken from the head of the list, without reference to the grade for which they are recommended.

Acting ordnance officers, so placed on duty, shall be entitled to pay as first lieutenants, if recommended for that, or higher grade, and as second lieutenants, if not recommended for higher grade.

Commissions will be issued as soon as the examinations are completed in all the armies, and will be for grades and of dates to correspond with the general roll of merit established by the examiners.

II. The quartermaster's department will issue to officers of the army, on duty enrolling conscripts, such fuel and stationery, within the limits prescribed by existing regulations for allowances to public offices, as shall be certified by those officers to be indispensable for the proper discharge of their duties.

The legitimate expenses of the performance of such duty will be paid, in the case of enrolling officers not commissioned, upon accounts approved by the Commandant of Conscripts for the State, or Commander of Camp of Instruction.

By order.

S. COOPER,

Adjutant and Inspector General.